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***Notice of Non-Responsive Election***

1. The election without traverse filed October 15, 2001 in Paper No. 5 is acknowledged and has been entered. However, the reply is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s):

In reply to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed September 11, 2001 (Paper No. 4), Applicants elected Group I, claims 1-7 and 23-26. However, as set forth in the restriction requirement, the invention of Group I is generic to a plurality of patentably disclosed species of invention. Accordingly, Applicants were required under 35 USC § 121 to elect a single disclosed species of invention, as directed in the Office action, and failed to do so. See 37 CFR 1.111.

2. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Stephen L. Rawlings, Ph.D. whose telephone number is (703) 305-3008. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday, 8:30AM-5:00PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Anthony C. Caputa, Ph.D. can be reached on (703) 308-3995. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are (703) 308-4242 for regular communications and (703) 308-4242 for After Final communications.

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Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0196.

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